

**House File 44 - Introduced**

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BY WINDSCHITL

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act requiring the natural resource commission to allow youth  
2 to use crossbows to hunt deer and providing penalties.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 483A.8, subsection 7, Code 2015, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 7. A person who is issued a youth deer hunting license  
4 and does not take a deer during the youth deer hunting season  
5 may use the deer hunting license and unused tag during any  
6 other firearm season that is established by the commission to  
7 take a deer of either sex. The commission shall adopt a rule  
8 permitting a person who is issued a youth deer hunting license  
9 to use a crossbow to take a deer of any sex during any deer  
10 hunting season that is designated by the commission.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill requires the natural resource commission to  
15 adopt a rule permitting a person who is issued a youth deer  
16 hunting license to use a crossbow for taking a deer of either  
17 sex during any deer hunting season that is designated by the  
18 commission. A violation of the new provision is punishable by  
19 a scheduled fine of \$25.